

ECAP Exemplar School Profiles

Preparing students for college, career, and life!

Lake Havasu High School, Lake Havasu City

ECAP Process Overview:

- "Knight Time" advisory 2x per month 9-12
- Counselor lessons 2x per year 9-12
- ECAP Leadership team (Knight Time Committee)
- Commit to Graduate Ceremony & Knight Time Awards
- Collaboration with feeder middle schools
- Freshman Mentors Club



Knight Time Advisory & Whole-School Buy-in

Lake Havasu High School has had tremendous success in engaging ALL school staff in the ECAP process. Their Knight Time Advisory is a whole-school effort that involves administrators, school counselors, and classroom teachers. Each teacher at LHHS has a Knight Time cohort that they stay with for four years. The cohorts meet two times per month on early release days for 40 minute sessions, where they work on ECAP related activities. Each grade level has a Knight Time lead teacher that develops lesson plans in collaboration with the school counseling team. These lesson plans are then forwarded to all classroom teachers who deliver the lessons to their cohort. Additionally, each grade level is assigned an administrator to serve as "quality assurance" and provide support where needed. An end of the year survey to teachers and students, along with the collaborative development of the lesson plans, ensures that Knight Time is continually improving and includes all stakeholders.

By the Numbers

| | 2009 | 2014 | Change |
|-----------------|------|-------|--------|
| Graduation Rate | 75% | 85.7% | +10.7% |
| Drop-out Rate | 5.2% | 3.3% | -1.9% |

"...Many of [our] successes can be linked to the benefits of an ECAP, a program of goal setting and purposeful, intentional planning that is critical to goal acquisition and achieving college and career success. In the end the staff and students at Lake Havasu High School that make it a success."

-LHHS Principal, Scott Becker

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ECAP Process Overview:

- Monthly ECAP Advisory during homeroom 9-11
- Advisory Portfolio
- Senior Seminar & Internship Program
- Annual Career Day
- Quarterly Community Days
- Student Roundtables



Explore

Plan

Decide

Community Engagement

City High School's college and career readiness efforts are founded on the notion of community engagement, which is at the center of everything we do at City High School. Students and staff engage with Tucson, the greater Southwest, and the border region in order to become active and responsible citizens. This is accomplished through place-based learning, service learning, senior internships, and participation in community-based organizations. When students are participating in a community day, whether at the school's farm, at a local museum, or at the University of Arizona, students are guided to think about possible career pathways, future college majors, and their eventual internships in 12th grade. All seniors at City High School participate in a community-based internship that lasts for much of the academic year.

Student-led Roundtables

Each student hosts a student-led roundtable conference at the end of first semester. The student-led conference is facilitated by the student's advisor and attended by parents, peers, and other teachers. Regardless of grade level, students are encouraged to think about their academic passions, thoughts about their internship, possible mentors they have met through their community involvement activities, and college plans. This annual tradition typically enjoys a 90% or higher rate of parent/family involvement and gives parents important insights into their child's learning. The roundtables provide an opportunity to discuss post-secondary planning and create an authentic format for students to candidly discuss the work they care about the most.

By the Numbers

| | 2009 | 2014 | Change |
|-----------------|------|-------|--------|
| Graduation Rate | 66% | 81.4% | +15.4% |
| Drop-out Rate | 2.9% | .51% | -2.39% |

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